



# Team Holloman: We did it!

by Brig. Gen. Kurt Cichowski 49th Fighter Wing commander

To take the MARGINAL rating from last November, and then turn it into the world-class response this last week, is truly incredible to behold.

We absolutely "WOWED" the IG team and they kept telling me they couldn't comprehend the universal excellence they witnessed, by every Fightin' 49er they observed. Every single area observed was evaluated as EXCELLENT or better, with 31 percent of the areas being graded as

OUTSTANDING. What a fantastic performance by all.

This recognition is a tribute to each and every Holloman member, regardless of your rank or work location. We needed to prove ourselves since our first performance was not worthy of our heritage, nor did it meet the ACC standards.

Our results are truly indicative of the tremendous effort and dedication of the Airmen who serve here. I can't begin to express how proud I am of what we have accomplished this time.

Well done to all!

And the IG says . . .

Initial response, Employment, Mission support

Excellent!

our wing was under a tremendous amount of pressure to prove that you could meet the demanding standards of Air Combat Command . . . Men and Women of the 49th -- That is exactly what you have done."

> xceptional production leadership coupled with motivated maintainers enabled rapid regeneration on 17 of 18 tasked aircraft within five hours."

tand-out individuals' performances went above and beyond the norm."





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### **DUI** Update

Days since last DUI 41

DUIs this year

This week last year

#### Last six DUIs

• 49 OG Feb. 11 • 49 CES Feb. 12

• 49 CS Feb. 14 • 49 CES Feb. 22

• GAF March 7

• 49 CES April 17

#### 572-RIDE works!

Calls made are lives saved

**586** Saves this year

15 Saves this week

### Submission guidelines

Submissions to the Sunburst are due by close of business Friday one week prior to the expected publication date. For consideration, submissions may be e-49fw.pa. mailed to sunburst@holloman.af.mil or brought to building 29, suite 2800.

Submissions to the Sunburst must include: event title, date, time, place, a brief description of the event, the first and last names and ranks and a phone number or e-mail address for contact information.

Meeting deadlines does not guarantee that information will run. All information must be edited before being published in the Sunburst, and submissions run on a priority, space-available basis.

# 12th AF CC sends safety message

Lt. Gen. Mark Schmidt

12th Air Force Commander

Memorial Day marks the beginning of summer and our "101 Critical Days of Summer," campaign which runs through Labor Day.

I encourage everyone to get out and enjoy summer's fun out-door activities, water sports and vacationing. However, as you plan recreational activities I ask you to think through the potential dangers that come with those activities. Use common sense, followed by the excellent risk management techniques we've been taught in the Air Force.

Set the example, confront risky behavior and poor judgment head-on. If you see or perceive a questionable situation, I expect you to be a leader and step in as needed. Don't be the person standing at a memorial service asking yourself why you didn't intervene.

Looking the other way when your buddy gets in the car or boat after drinking too much alcohol isn't being a buddy at all. Showing off on a motorcycle, or just being too fatigued to drive, are other areas where a buddy can step in and stop a potential accident. A lone Airman cannot survive in combat for long. The same holds for life; be there for each other, especially, when one of us "misplaces" our judgment.

Since 2002 the Air Force has averaged 33 fatal accidents per summer and 12th Air Force can claim three of these as their own. During last year's "101 Critical Days of Summer" campaign Holloman AFB sustained 13 total mishaps and, fortu-

nately, no fatalities.

My goal for "zero mishaps" is achievable only if you take the time to know the Airmen next to you—their hobbies, interests, and risky behaviors. Commanders and supervisors at every level must stay abreast of what their people are doing this summer and take appropriate action to mitigate risk or, if necessary, simply stop the activity.

It comes down to each of us being personally responsible and applying sound risk management techniques in our day-to-day activities both on- and off-duty. It is vital to the well-being of our Airmen and our organization that we complete the "101 Days" with no serious accidents. Let's get out there and have a fun and safe summer



Photo by Ms. Laura Hunt

#### Air Force level winner

Maj. (Dr.) Robert York, 49th Medical Group Flight Medicine officer, checks the ears of Chase Henderson, 16 months. Major York was awarded the Air Force Outstanding Flight Surgeon of the Year for 2004 for his improvements to Flight Medicine at Holloman and for his actions during a deployment to Balad Air Base, Irag.

#### CROSSWORD

# **Memorial Day remembrance**

#### ACROSS

- 1. A-Team member
- 4. Everything
- 7. Federal org. in charge of SSNs
- 10. Berths
- 12. Memorial Day person remembered, in short
- 13. Outfit
- 15. \_\_\_ a time; single file
- 16. Airport screen abbrev.
- 17. Elvis' blue shoes
- 18. Mil. jargon for "understood
- and complying"
- 19. Droop
- 20. Father figure
- 21. Inventor Whitney and NY
- Giant Manning
- 23. British title
- 25. Memorial Day person remembered (USMC)
- 27. Memorial Day person re-
- membered (USN) 30. Memorial Day person re-
- membered, in short
- 31. Terminate
- 32. Took a load off
- 33. Feline
- 35. Simpson trial judge
- 36. Compass dir.
- 37. Singer Torme
- 38. Sis' sibling
- 41. Center of the system

- 44. Alias, in brief
- 45. Killer
- 47. Tear-producing vegetables
- 49. Apple music machine, in
- 50. Crime clue
- 51. Extreme
- 54. Terminate
- 56. Waited for right opportunity
- 60. Joints
- 61. Profit, in short
- 62. Hate
- 63. Held the world on his shoul-
- 64. Before, poetically
- 65. European monies
- 66. Fisherman's TV station, in
- 67. Org. concerned with patriotic heritage
- 68. Rep.'s congressional counterpart

#### **DOWN**

- 1. Skirt type
- 2. Spool
- 3. Ammunition type
- 4. Hoarded
- 5. Italian currency, once
- 6. Gift
- 7. Gale
- 8. Lard

- 9. General's helper 10. Memorial Day
  - person remembered, in short
  - 11. Jaded
  - 13. \_\_\_\_ de corps
  - 14. Each
  - 22. \_\_\_ hurry; rushing
  - 24. Auto club
  - 25. Boundaries
  - 26. Isle
  - 28. Pacific or Atlantic
  - 29. A1C, SSgt, Lt,
  - 30. Vigor
  - 34. Brewed bever-
  - 38. Circumvent
  - 39. Music group
  - 40. Commanded
  - 41. Memorial Day
  - 42. Count
  - 43. Inclined
  - membered (USAF)
  - 48. Hateful

- Col, etc.
- age
- Diamond \_\_\_\_
- person remembered (USA)
- off starter
- 46. Memorial Day person re-

51. Stars & Stripes country

16

19

- 52. Actor Jared
- 53. Lanky
- 55. Singer Jones 57. Challenge
- 58. British school
- 59. Federal org. established after 9/11

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#### BASE BEAT



The 49th Security Forces Squadron handled the following incidents from May 17 to Monday.

## Property loss, damage or theft

- May 16: There was a minor accident between two privately owned vehicles at McDonald's.
- May 17: An NCO reported his motorcycle battery and mirrors were stolen from the automobile resale parking lot
- May 17: There was a major accident in the building 883 parking lot. An Airman on a motorcycle hit loose gravel while coming into the parking lot and fell. The Airman was transported to Gerald Champion Regional Medical Center for treatment.
- May 17: An NCO reported a government owned vehicle was damaged at building 868.
- May 19: An NCO reported that while he was driving on base from the La Luz

gate a white truck kicked up a rock and damaged his windshield. Damage was a six-inch crack.

- May 19: There was a minor accident between two POVs in the building 787 parking lot. One vehicle hit the other while backing out of a parking spot.
- May 19: A civilian reported a cabinet was damaged in the dorm 452 dayroom.
- May 23: There was a minor accident between a GOV and a POV on San Miguel Loop. One vehicle hit the other while backing up.
- May 23: There was a minor accident between a GOV and a POV at the BEAR Base compound. One vehicle hit another while pulling forward.

#### **Tickets**

Security forces issued five tickets: three for driving without proper registration, one for failure to stop and one for driving without a license.

# Army and Air Force Exchange Service Memorial Day Hours

- Base exchange: 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Shopette: 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.
- Class Six: 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.
- Popeye's Chicken: 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Rent-a-Car: 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- McDonalds: 5:30 a.m. to 10 p.m.

The following stores are closed:

• Furniture store, military clothing sales, service bay, Anthony's Pizza, Frank's Franks, Robin Hood, base theater, beauty shop, barber shop, dry cleaners, alterations, optical shop, flower shop, GNC, Olive Branch, Mexico to You and Nextel.

# Prevent sun burns and skin cancer

**1st Lt. Chasity Williams** 49th Medical Group Family Practice Nurse

Skin care is most paramount with the summer months approaching. The desert sun can be very unforgiving making many of us susceptible to sun burns.

A sun burn is defined as inflammation of the skin from either the sun or sun lamps. Risk factors include fair skin, blue eyes, red or blonde hair and use of medications that make you sensitive to light – sulfa, tetracyclines, amoxicillin or birth control pills. Some of

the signs and symptoms to watch out for are: red, swollen, painful, blistered skin, fever, nausea/vomiting, delirium, and/or peeling of the skin after recovery. Children are most susceptible to sunburns and require more vigilance.

The treatment for a sun burn is applying cool towels and lotions to the areas to maintain moisture. For severe blistering burns, apply a light coat of petroleum jelly which prevents clothing to stick to blisters. Ask your primary care manager for advice on pain relievers.

Last but definitely not least,

hydrate yourself! Recovery can take up to three weeks depending on the severity of the burn.

Sun burns also put you at a higher risk of developing skin cancer. The prevalence of skin cancer in the United States is reaching alarming rates. Over half of all cancers in the United States are skin cancer.

So what can we do to protect ourselves? Prevention and education are the keys to early detection and treatment. The risk factors are similar to sun burns, but it also includes a family history of skin cancer. So when do you call your PCM for an evaluation? Use the

ABCDEs of mole care. In other words, inspect your moles for asymmetry (lack of proportion), irregular borders, color change, diameter (mole which is greater than 6 mm in size), and any changes in skin elevation. The prognosis for skin cancer is good if caught early.

#### On the side

#### **Preventive Measures:**

- Avoid sun exposure from noon to 3 p.m.
- Use sun screen with SPF of 15 or greater, reapplying after swimming or prolonged exposure. Zinc oxide provides maximum protection.
- Wear neutral colored clothing such as tan, long sleeve shirts, and hats. Bright colors tend to reflect sun onto your face.
- If you choose to utilize tanning salons, then limit your sun exposure to five to 10 minutes on each side.

#### SPOTLIGHT

# Airman 1st Class Jessica Thornton th Communications Squadron



Photo by Airman 1st Class Russell Scalf

Duty title: Still photographic journeyman

Time in service: Two years, seven months

#### Hometown: Gaithersburg, Md. Time at Holloman: Two years Personal and Career goals:

Currently I am working towards my Community College of the Air Force degree in basic still photography. I plan to continue my education with a degree in Business Management, so when I retire (sometime after making chief) I can start a business of my

#### What is your favorite quote?

"It is not the person who has too little, but the person who always craves more, that is poor" A teacher of mine in high school would write a different quote on the board every day and we had to keep a journal of all the quotes. My family didn't always have everything we wanted and more

importantly needed, but what we did have was enough. In my opinion, you have to be content with what you have and although you may strive for more you cannot dwell on what you cannot have. What motivates you to be a bet-

## ter Airman?

Pilot for a Day and Retirement ceremonies (especially Chiefs) motivate me to be a better Airman. The Pilot for a Day program allows children suffering from an illness to experience what it is like to be a pilot. The look on the children's faces and the joy their parents feel motivate me to capture the moment for memories of a life time. Retirements are a very emotional time for most especially chiefs that have devoted their lives to the Air Force. Hearing their experiences touches me and motivates me to strive for the achievements they have made as well as make my own significant

achievements.

#### Core value portrayed "Excellence in all we do":

"Although Airman Thornton is often hidden behind the camera, her presence is always seen and felt across Holloman. She continually strives to ensure that the Base Multimedia Center is providing top quality, professional photography and video services. Every task assigned is taken from the cradleto-grave with meticulous detail. Her dedication to the mission was a major force in garnering "Superior Performance Team" recognition during the most recent Operational Readiness Inspection. Most importantly, her positive attitude and devout customer service has proven contagious amongst her peers."

> - Maj. Michael Redding 49th CS commander

NEWS NEWS

# 8th FS wins Outstanding Unit Award with Valor

**by Ms. Laura Hunt** Sunburst *copy editor* 

For only the second time in history, the pilots of Holloman were honored with the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with Combat Valor.

The 8th Fighter Squadron received the award for participating in Operation Iraqi Freedom as a member of the 379th Air Expeditionary Wing, said Col. Matt McKeon, 49th Operations Group commander. The award recognizes the squadron's outstanding performance during combat conditions.

"The 8th Expeditionary Fighter Squadron was an integral part of the Combined Force Air Component Commander's arsenal," Colonel McKeon said. "Among the unit's achievements, the 8 EFS had the highest weapons hit rate of any platform in theater with 91.5 percent against the most heavily defended target areas in the country."

The squadron also was the first to employ the all-weather EGBU-27 in combat and achieved a 96 percent weapons hit rate, the colonel said.

The first time the 49th Fighter Wing received this award was during the Vietnam War, said Master Sgt. Greg Henneman, 49th FW historian.

During Operation Constant Guard, the 49th FW flew more than 10,000 combat missions for more than 22,000 combat hours, Sergeant Henneman said. They dropped more than 41 million pounds of ordnance with a 90 percent accuracy rate on targets in North and South Vietnam.

"For their actions, the 49th received the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with Combat Valor," Sergeant Henneman said. "The Seventh Air Force sent a message saying, 'I congratulate the 49th on the outstanding bombing results achieved while participating in the last 19 Linebacker missions. Photography verified that at least 90 percent of the bombs were on target...the high threat area to which you were committed demanded the utmost in aircrew discipline, capability and aircraft performance...each member of the 49th can be justifiably proud."

According to Colonel McKeon, F-117A Nighthawk pilots have a mission unlike that of most fighter pilots.

"For the most part, the Nighthawk is flown single ship during the tactical portion of a combat mission, which completely contradicts the traditional fighter pilot mindset," Colonel McKeon said. "Because they are few in number and fly a fairly specialized mission, Nighthawk pilots sometimes draw a little more notice than their counterparts in other weapon systems, especially from the opponent. However, it's the combined efforts of aviators from all platforms that help to make American airpower what it is today."

Though the F-117 pilots are somewhat unique, winning the award was the result of a team effort, Colonel McKeon said.

"Nothing that was accomplished during the deployment would have been possible had it not been for the solid cooperation within Team Stealth," he said. "Unified in purpose and dedicated to mission success."



Photo by Senior Airman Jason Colbert

#### Welcome

Colonel Matt McKeon (left), 49th Operations Group commander, Lt. Col. David Toomey (center), former 8th Fighter Squadron commander, and Lt. Col. Chris Williams (right), 8th FS commander salute for the Posting of the Colors at the 8th FS's change of command ceremony May 20. Colonel Williams was the 7th Combat Training Squadron director of operations before becoming 8th FS commander. Colonel Toomey goes to Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala., to attend Air War College.

# In memory of Maj. (Sel) Michael Premo

Maj. (Sel) Michael Premo died in his Otero Federal Credit Union. home May 12. A memorial service was held May 19 at the Holloman Chapel.

Maj. (Sel) Premo was a former helicopter pilot and an Airfield Operations Officer with the 49th Operations Support Squadron.

For those wishing to make monetary donations to Maj. (Sel) Premo's family, a "Captain Michael Premo Memorial Fund" has been established at call Maj. Tom Schmidt at 572-3421.

This is a "general" fund, with all donations going directly to the family to use at their discretion.

#### Information:

Captain Michael Premo Memorial **Fund** 

- OFCU routing number: 312270010
- OFCU account number: 20000923

For more information about the fund,



# BHARBASIS

by 2nd Lt. Shantece Wade 49th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

The 49th Materiel Maintenance Group has been designated by the Air Force as the Air Force Center of Excellence for Basic Expeditionary Airfield Resources operations recently.

The 49th MMG, more commonly known as BEAR Base, is the Air Force's only organic unit dedicated to supporting BEAR base systems and equipment including Harvest Eagle, Harvest Falcon and the new Basic Expeditionary Airfield Resources. Col. Michael W. Arnold, 49th Materiel Maintenance Squadron commander, said the group specializes in what no other Air Force unit can do: deploy the equipment and technical expertise to set-up BEAR base sites worldwide with little-to-no-notice.

BEAR Base will now acquire an additional mission with the Air Force designation, in accordance with their main mission to support BEAR systems and equipment for Department of Defense branches.

According to the Air Force Instruction 25-101, some of the duties associ-

ated with the unique Air Force designation will require the group to provide BEAR expertise and assistance to overseas commands, federal agencies and unit control center customers during noncontingency operations and support U.S. Southern Command with storage and outload of their assets on reimbursable basis. Also, BEAR Base will work with the 49th MMG System Support Flight in coordination with other agencies to verify effectiveness and ensure proper system integrainteroperability for BEAR systems and equipment.

"The designation of the group as an Air Force Center of Excellence for-



Photo by Airman 1st Class Larry Reid Jr

Airmen from the 49th Materiel Maintenance Squadron square away a tent setup during a training exercise here.



Photo by Tech. Sgt. James Hart Jr.

(I)Senior Airman Bradley Anderson, Utilities Journeyman and Master Sergeant Shelly Rogers, NCOIC of BEAR Base supply help to set up a temporary shower/shave tent during a formal training excercise ensuring everyone is qualified to perform this task.

malizes a role the group has played for many years - being an advocate for the BEAR base user community to the acquisition and program management areas of the Air Force's BEAR base program," Colonel Arnold said. "It's an important role and one that will be both rewarding and challenging for the group."

"One of the greatest opportunities and dilemmas for the BEAR Base program is that it's a program that crosses many Air Force functional areas," said Lt. Col. Masao Hendrix, 49th MMG deputy commander.

This unique environment makes BEAR Base's work a vital effort, he said. It will serve as the Air Force focal point for evaluating and developing innovative BEAR Base storage, maintenance, deployment, employment and reconstitution ideas, and using its position in the community to help develop operational solutions and techniques in support of expeditionary operations.

Lessons learned from Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom will be incorporated in the new Air Force Center of Excellence for BEAR operations, along with other sources of BEAR Base information for a comprehensive reference capability.

Extremely important to the success of BEAR Base will be its ability to work with a wide range of customers and organizations to make the Air Force BEAR Base program better.

"The center should provide a level of service to the user community they can't obtain elsewhere. It should be their advocate, the integrator and innovator of ideas on bare base employment, and a source of day to day information they can use." Colonel Arnold said. "To do that, we'll work to form partnerships with other organizations related to BEAR Base operations and expeditionary combat support from across the Air Force and potentially even the DoD."

# To honor with dignity

Holloman's Honor Guard' goes 'above and beyond'

by 1st Lt. Vince King 49th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

Precision, pride, determination and teamwork not only describe them, but help to define the unique skills they possess and the quality of excellence they have over most.

Approximately 45 members deep, the Holloman Honor Guard can be seen practicing and performing throughout the base and surrounding communities.

"[These Airmen] represent the Air Force in a way that goes way above and beyond other expectations and standards and other means of volunteerism," said Tech. Sgt. Marty Haynes, Honor Guard NCO in charge.

According to Sergeant Haynes, providing military honors is the Honor Guard's primary mission.

"Our first mission ... is the

rendering of Military Funeral Honors when requested by the families of our deceased veterans of the U.S. Air Force and U.S. Army Air Corps," he said.

"These men and women, and other Airmen that come after them, will be there when a family needs them, or a retiree requests a flag-folding ceremony or a civilian organization would like the U.S. flag presented during their event," Sergeant Haynes continued.

The Honor Guard's other duties include flag-folding ceremonies for retirements and civil events, Colors details for unit change of commands and wing functions, and even Saber Cordons for military members' weddings.

Their area of responsibility includes counties within Southern New Mexico and three counties in Texas.

"We go as far north as Corona,

N.M., east to Carlsbad, N.M., south to Van Horn, Texas, and west to the Arizona state line," said Sergeant Haynes.

The Honor Guard not only recruits Airmen but also senior NCOs and officers.

"Typically our cadre comes from the Airman and junior NCO grades, but we do seek leadership examples from senior NCOs and officers," he said. "We even have an Air Force Reserve lieutenant colonel participating in many of our military funerals."

Sergeant Haynes said any military member can submit an application; however, it must be signed by their supervisor, first sergeant and commander, who will confirm that the person is an excellent representative of their squadron, the wing and the Air Force.

Sergeant Haynes said that members who are selected to join the Honor Guard will have a oneweek initial training and a graduation performance that shows they are ready to render honors.

"The Honor Guard is the greatest opportunity I've had in my ca-

Photo by Tech. Sgt. James Hart Jr.

Photo by Senior Airman Jason Colber

Senior Airman Audrey Arante salutes a folded flag given to the mother of Senior Master Sgt. Martha Glover during Sergeant Glover's retirement ceremony.

reer," said Sergeant Haynes.

"Even when serving as a cadre member before being appointed as the NCOIC, I had a great deal of satisfaction in helping grieving families find some closure and showing that the Air Force was there for them, to honor their deceased husband or wife, mother or father, brother or sister."

Team Holloman members interested in joining the Honor Guard should call 572-2077 for an application packet.



Photo by Tech. Sgt. James Hart Jr.

(Left to right) Airman 1st Class Larry Reid, Staff Sgt. Daniel Arellano, Senior Airman Harvey Battle and Airman 1st Class Andrew Barnhart stand at attention during the Posting of the Colors at the 2005 Air Show.

# Team Holloman deploys







Nearly 40 personnel from the 8th Aircraft Maintenance Unit, walk toward their ride here Tuesday. The Airmen and several tons of cargo were deployed to support the United States' national defense objectives in South Korea.

Airman 1st Class Hsiwen Chang uses webbing to tie equipment to a pallet for loading onto a cargo plane.

Airmen with the 49th LRS and the 49th Materiel

Maintenance Support Squad-

ron load cargo onto a C-17 Globemaster III transport here Tuesday.



Brig. Gen. Kurt Cichowski, 49th Fighter Wing commander, greets Maj. (Dr.) Robert York, 49th Medical Group, as he prepares to board a C-17 for the deployment to South Korea. Command Chief Master Sgt. Bruce Barton looks on as Airmen climb aboard the aircraft.



#### **BRIEFS**

#### **BRAC** correction

In the May 20 issue of the Sunburst, it was reported that the Physiological Training Center was a part of Brooks City Base, Texas. The PTC is assigned to the 49th Medical Group, and is not organizationally assigned to Brooks as previously stated. Realignment of the centrifuges at both Holloman and Brooks City Base will consolidate all Air Force centrifuge training and research assets at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio.

#### **Bike Night**

"Bike Night" is 5 p.m., June 4 in the Enlisted Club parking lot.

#### Message to troops

Video tape messages to send to troops overseas will be recorded from 4 to 8 p.m., July 1 in the Fitness and Sports Center room 132. Messages will be in clips of approximately 1 to 3 minutes. Taping not limited to family members; all are encouraged to stop by and send a message or greeting to deployed members.

#### Attention all personnel:

Brig. Gen. Kurt Cichowski, 49th Fighter Wing commander, regretfully announces the death of Capt. Michael P. Premo, 49th Operations Support Squadron. Anyone having claims against or indebtedness to the estate of Capt. Premo should contact Maj. Steven Wright, 49th OSS Summary Courts Officer, at 572-7421.

#### **Asian Pacific Heritage**

The following events will commemorate Asian Pacific Heritage Month:

- Historical and cultural displays: Until Tuesday at the Holloman Library, Community Activities Center, base exchange and 49th FW Headquarters.
- Softball Tournament: June 4 to 5 at the Holloman softball fields. Cost is \$150 per team. Traditional Oriental plate and beverage will be available for \$5. Prizes for first, second and third place teams
- Luau Luncheon: noon to 2 p.m., June 10 at the Community Center ballroom. The cost is \$8 and includes traditional Oriental food, beverage and entertainment. The guest speaker will be Chaplain (Maj.) Phillip Llanos.

For details, call Tech. Sgt. Larry McEntire at 572-3806 or Senior Airman Theresa Margallo at 572-3125.

#### PFE pamphlets

The new Promotion Fitness Examination pamphlets are here. Contact your unit WAPS monitor or Commander's Support Staff to receive the current testing materials. It is your duty to be prepared for your next promotion.

#### HazMart giveaway

Paints and other items are available for free issue at the HazMart. The program allows authorized users access to a variety of hazardous chemical items free of charge. To participate, your shop must be authorized for the item and the item must be in HazMart's free issue area. No authorization is necessary for latex paint. For details, call the HazMart at 572-7899, 572-3093 or 572-7608.

#### **Blood Drive**

There is an Armed Services Blood Program blood drive from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Tuesday at the Base Community Center. Donations are on a walk-in basis.

#### Kiddie ID cards

Pass and ID issues kiddie ID cards on Tuesdays and Thursdays for children age 10 and under. For details, call Mr. Samuel Rashe at 572-5920 or 572-5951.

#### CAC

The commander's access channel, cable channel 3, offers up-to-date information about current security conditions, closures on base, hours of various programs on base and community information about what programs and events are available at Holloman and in the local area. The CAC also features the following videos to-day to Thursday:

- Safety Videos: 6 a.m., 9 a.m., 12 p.m., 2 p.m., 4 p.m. and 9 p.m. (Safety Videos include: 101 Critical Days of Summer, Mishap Reduction, Drinking and Driving: Quay Sampsell's Story, and Fatal Vision News Coverage.)
- Operational Readiness Inspection results: 7 a.m., 10 a.m., 1 p.m., 5 p.m. and 7 p.m.
- 49th Fighter Wing Base Realignment and Closure press con-

ference: 8 a.m., 11 a.m., 3 p.m., 6 p.m. and 8 p.m.

#### **FSC**

The FSC offers several classes and events at the FSC, building 40. For more information, call the FSC at 572-7754 or visit the Web site at wwwmil.holloman. af.mil/sptg/mss/fsc.

#### **MDG** closure

The 49th Medical Group will be closed today and Monday because of the Air Combat Command Family Day and Memorial Day.

## German POW book debut party

The New Mexico Farm and Ranch Heritage Museum will host a book-debut party and signing for the new UNM Press publication, "A German POW in New Mexico," by Walter Schmid. The event is 1 p.m. June 4 at the museum.

The book includes Schmid's autobiographical account of his capture in North Africa and his subsequent internment in POW camps in Oklahoma and Las Cruces, N.M.

For details, call (505) 522-4100.

#### Chapel Services

Weekday Masses -

11:30 a.m., Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

**Sunday** – Catholic Mass, 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

- Sacrament of Penance, 4 p.m.
- General Protestant Worship Service, 11 a.m.
- Protestant Sunday School is 9:30 a.m. and Catholic Religious Education is 10:30 a.m., Sunday at Holloman Intermediate School.

# **B**On the

Free Movie (G)

2 p.m., Saturday

Sahara (PG-13) 6 p.m., Saturday

King's Ransom (PG-13)

6 p.m., Saturday and Sunday

#### **BASIN BRIEFS**

#### Dog show

There is a "K-9s Against Cancer" dog show Saturday at Alameda Park. Registration is 9:30 a.m.; show starts at 10:30 a.m. Donations will be taken for entry and admission and all proceeds will go to the Relay for Life/ American Cancer Society. Relay for Life is hosting a K9's Against Cancer dog show. All proceeds will be donated to the American Cancer Society. Proof of rabies vaccination is required. For more information, contact Airman 1st Class Melissa Hedger at 572-7017.

#### **Boat parade**

There is a "Fly Freedom's Flag" boat parade from noon to 2 p.m., Saturday at Elephant Butte Lake State Park. The parade honors America's veterans and troops as well as those who have given their lives to preserve freedom. The parade is open to both land and water visitors who wish to participate. Beginning at Dam Site Marina, the parade will travel north along the western beaches and coves and end at Rock Canyon Marina. For more information, call Mr. Steve Hayner at (800) 748-1194.

#### Relay for Life

Relay for Life is June 4 to 5 at Griggs Field in Alamogordo. For details, call Ms. Cathy Schreck at 434-8834.

#### Flickinger events

Miss New Mexico Semi-Finals: 7 p.m., June 10. Tickets are \$15 and patron tickets are \$150 and \$130 (includes patron party, dinner, dancing at Las Ventanas Clubhouse and reserved seating both nights).

Miss New Mexico Finals: 7 p.m., June 11. Tickets are \$20. For more information, call 437-2202.

#### National Trails Day

National Trails Day will be celebrated 9 a.m. June 4 near High Rolls. This year's national theme is "Take the Path to a Healthier You" and emphasizes the benefits of trails for all Americans. This year's local events sponsored by the New Mexico Rails-to-Trails start at 9 a.m. and include the following:

- The Salado Canyon Trestle will recognize the work done by volunteers.
- Presentation by Mr. Roger Bodwell on "Anatomy of Railroad Timber Trestles."
- Demonstration by U.S. Border Patrol will be given on "mantracking."
- Guided tour into private property to see 45-foot-high "Bridlevale Falls."

For details, call 682-3040 or 434-1953.

#### Space museum tailgate

New Mexico Museum of Space History will host a tailgate. The event will start at 8 p.m. June 25. Gates open at 6:30 p.m. Tailgate renewal sales begin April 1. Open spaces are on sale. Walkups are \$5 per person, bring your lawn chair, snacks, or dinner, relax and enjoy a wonderful evening of great music.

For more information, call 437-2202.

#### **Cherry festival**

The 2005 High Rolls Cherry Festival is 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. June 18 and 19 at the High Rolls Community Center. There will be local cherries, more than 60 arts/crafts venders, food and drinks, local entertainment and children's activities. Parking and admission are free. For details, call (505) 682-1151 or go to www.highrollsfestivals.com.

#### Medieval Festival

The Colorado Medieval Festival is noon to 6 p.m., June 3 and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., June 4 and 5. Pre-sale cost is \$8 per day for adults and \$15 for a three-day adult pass. Children under 11 get in free with a paid adult. At the gate, prices \$10 per day for adults and \$20 for a three-day adult pass. For detials, visit www.medievalworld.us/coloradocastle/.

#### **Vet reunion**

The Air Commando Association/Special Operations Veterans, from WWII to the present, Annual Reunion is Oct. 7 to 9 at Fort Walton Beach, Fla. For details, call (850) 581-0099, fax (850) 581-8988, e-mail aircomando@aol.com or web page http://home.earthlink.net/~aircommando1/.



## The flag folding ceremony: honoring the end

Folding the flag is done to honor the end of something; the end of the duty day at Retreat, the career of a service member or the life of a veteran during his or her funeral. It has also been performed at events celebrating national holidays such as Veteran's Day and Memorial Day, and for solemn events such as to honor those that perished September 11, 2001. The U.S. flag is folded any time it is not flown, displayed, or draped upon the casket of a veteran.

#### **Ceremony stipulations**

The Flag-folding ceremony is not an officially sanctioned Air Force ceremony. The Office of the Staff Judge Advocate released guidance that allows the performance of the ceremony, but with stipulations:

- As part of a military member's retirement, the ceremony must be specifically introduced as being performed at the request of the retiree.
- That any Air Force members participating in the Flagfold Ceremony must have volunteered to do so.
  - No military office, such as the base Protocol office or

the Honor Guard, may distribute or recommend any script that assigns specific meaning to the folds of the United States Flag. The Flag-fold ceremony can also be performed as a "silent fold", with no script read aloud.

#### Retirement ceremony

As part of their retirement ceremony, the retiree may choose to have the folded flag presented to their spouse, parents, other family members or donate it to an organization.

#### **Frivolous events**

The Flag-fold ceremony should not be performed for frivolous events, "just to have it" such as a meeting that has nothing to do with national pride, service, or sacrifice. The folding of our flag should not to be denigrated by trivial use.

If you have been assigned as a point of contact to arrange a retirement ceremony, or have an event scheduled and are considering a performance of the ceremony, contact Tech. Sgt. Marty Haynes at 572-2077 for more information.

#### **BRIEFS**



Photo by Senior Airman Vanessa LaBoy

#### Close call

Megan Hansbrough, Lady Falcon's catcher, tries to make a play at home as an Alamogordo Stylistics player slides into the plate. Holloman's Youth girl's softball team, The Lady Falcons lost to the Stylistics 8 to 4 Monday in Alamogordo. The MVP for Monday's game was third baseman Jessie Mitchell, who went 2 for 2 with two RBl's and two put outs at third base. The Lady Falcon's next game is scheduled for Wednesday at 7:15 p.m. in Alamogordo.

### SOFTBALL SCOREBOARD

Large unit	Large Unit		
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MDG B BEATS CES C



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Gary Horn, 49th Medical Group, takes a swing at a pitch from the 49th Civil Engineer Squadron pitcher during the MDG B team's 28 to 13 win over the CES C team Tuesday at Vandenburg field.



Kenneth Weir, MDG B pitcher, throws to Tyler Baker at first base for an out during MDG B's win over CES C Tuesday.





(I) Kenneth Weir sends Ermen Barnett home to score during MDG B's win over CES CTuesday. This is MDG B's second win of the season, bringing their record to 2-2.



Ermen Barnett jumps over a ball hit up the middle to avoid an out during MDG B's win over CES C.

The CES C shortstop, Joshua Diselrod, jumps for a ball hit up the middle by MDG B. MDG B's 28-13 win over CES C brought their season record to 2 wins and 2 losses.